REMARKS

Claims 21-25 have been canceled and claims 26-34 have been added to allow prosecution of claims 1-20 and 26-34 of the parent application. No new matter has been added.

With respect to the prior co-pending U.S. application Serial No. 10/253,988,

Applicant hereby incorporates the claim of priority from Japanese Application Nos.2001-292470, 2001-292471, and 2001-292472, filed on September 25, 2001; 2001-301854, filed on September 28, 2001; and 2001-352450, filed on November 16, 2001; and claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119.

The prior application is assigned of record to TDK Corporation, at Reel 013526, and Frame 0720.

Early and favorable prosecution on the merits is respectfully requested.

Please charge any deficiencies in fees and credit any overpayment of fees to Attorney's Deposit Account No. 50-0481.

Respectfully submitted,

Sean M. McGinn

Registration No.: 34,386

Date:

McGinn & Glbb, PLLC

Intellectual Property Law

8321 Old Courthouse Road, Suite 200

Vienna, VA 22182-3817

(703) 761-4100

Customer No. 21254